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### **OUR NEW PRESIDENT**



Mrs. Linda Anderson, '93

Newly elected president of the Association. For the past three years Mrs. Anderson has served as treasurer faithfully and well. In this new position she bids fair to carry on and enlarge the great work begun by Mrs. Ainsworth.

# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM OF WESLEYAN JULY 12, 1849

Julia Boon Goodall, '94

FADED, and yellow with age, there lies before me, a program of Wesleyan Female College for Commencement Day, Thursday, July 12, 1849!

Doubtless, all the eighteen members of the graduating class of 1849

are now doing post-graduate work "up higher."

The first number on this interesting program is music, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne." Not just the selection that would be made at this time, perhaps. The Salutatory was read by Miss Eliza F. DuPont, of Quincy, Florida. The Valedictorian was Mrs. Louisa C. Rodgers, of Macon Co., Ga. Other graduates were Miss M. Augusta Hill, Talbotton, Ga., Miss Ada J. Tharpe, Houston Co., Ga.; Miss M. Amanda Wade, Macon Co., Ga.; Miss Julia A. Choate, Vineville, Ga.; Miss Virginia W. Leonard, Talbotton, Ga.; Miss Joanna E. Shropshire, Jasper Co., Ga.; Miss Julia Z. Boon, Macon Co., Ga.; Miss Emily J. Harris, Washington Co., Ga.; Miss Sarah F. Chapman, Columbus, Ga.; Miss Mary B. Quigley, Houston Co., Ga.; Miss Mary E. Taylor, Houston Co., Ga.; Miss Helen F. Evans, Macon, Co., Ga.; Miss Eliza R. Jones, Macon, Ga.; Miss Anna E. Smith, Houston Co., Ga.; Miss Anna J. Blount, Culloden, Ga.

It may be worthy of note that one of these sixteen-year-old graduates

lived to see her five daughters graduated from her Alma Mater.

Among the subjects of the "Compositions" we find: The Poetry of The Bible, Authors and their Influence, The Pains and Pleasures of College Life, Memories of the Past, The Superiority of the Present Age, Westward the Star of Empire Takes Its Way, Woman's Intellect, The Power of the Pulpit, and Is She Rich?

The musical numbers are: "Fathers and Friends! All Hail!", "Lift Up Your Heads Ye Doors", Overture in "Caliph of Bagdad", "The Battle of Resaca De La Palma", "Lift Up Your Heads, Eternal

Gates", "O! Praise God in His Holiness".

The address was delivered by the Hon. A. H. Chappell.

Preceding the Benediction, which completes this program of thirty numbers, and of seventy-six years ago, is the following beautiful Farewell Ode to the Graduating Class:

A low strain and plaintive—a sad, tender lay:
Kind spirits and gentle must leave us to-day;
Your fond hearts have murmured "Adieu to those hours
Where life's pathway seemeth a pathway of flowers."

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# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM OF WESLEYAN JUNE 1, 1925

#### LITERARY ADDRESS

Prof. Edwin Mims, M. A., LL. D., Ph. D.
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# **BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS**

# CONFERRING DEGREES AND AWARDING DIPLOMAS

President William F. Quillian, D. D.

Doxology Benediction

# NATIONAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION HELD IMPORTANT BUSINESS SESSION AT COMMENCEMENT

NOTE—The business session of the National Association at commencement time was particularly interesting in that officers were elected to the many offices which were left vacant by the expiration of the three year term of office.



MRS. LOTT WARREN, '72 Newly elected corresponding secretary of the Association. She has always shown a kindly interest in her Alma Mater and now that the opportunity is given she has entered into active service gladly and with many plans for the future of the Association.

MRS. W. N. AINSWORTH, whose faithful and devoted work has marked the progress of the association from its beginning as a national organization three years to its present wide awake and live-wire functioning, retired from office at the expiration of this term.

Much credit is due Mrs. Ainsworth in her work as president during this crucial time of Wesleyan's history when all must be either for or against their Alma Mater, there being no neutral ground in the great campaign work which has been going forward during her administration.

The other officers, also serving creditably and well, whose terms have expired were: Mrs. R. F. Burden, as first vice-president; Miss Lois Rogers, as second vice-president; Mrs. Minnie Henderson, as third vice-president; Mrs. W. D. Anderson, as

treasurer; Mrs. Claude Cason, as corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Ralph Newton, as recording secretary.

The officers elected to take their places were President, Mrs. W. D. Anderson, of Macon; first vice-president, Miss May Belle Jones, of Atlanta; second vice-president, Mrs. T. L. Ross, of Macon; third vice-president, Mrs. Lula Kendall Rogers, of Tennille; recording secretary, Mrs. Tom Stewart, of Macon; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lott Warren, of Atlanta; and treasurer, Mrs. Ed. Flanders, of Macon.

At this meeting it was announced that Mrs. M. E. Tilly of Atlanta, was re-elected to succeed herself as Alumnae trustee of Wesleyan.

The important business brought before the association was the suggested and adopted amendments to the constitution which provided

that the duties of the first vice-president be to take charge of the class secretaries and arrange for a regular system of class reunions, planning a schedule by which every member of each class might be kept up with; and the duties of the second vice-president be to plan for the organization of Weslevan clubs. - C. X. D.

# THE FIRST ALUMNEAN ASSOCIATION OF WESLEYAN COLLEGE

From one of the Scrap Books of Mrs. Loula Kendall Rogers.

MACON paper, dated May A 8th, 1860, contains the following invitation to all of the graduates of Wesleyan College who were living at that time:

We, the undersigned Committee of the Alumnaen Association of Wesleyan Female College, adopt this mode of informing you, that on Tuesday of the approaching Commencement week, July 17th, we shall celebrate the Anniversary of the above named Society. Your presence is most respectfully solicited.

There will be a private meeting for the transaction of business and the election of officers. Bishop Pierce has accepted an invitation to address the Association. On the evening of Wednesday we shall have a festive gathering. The occasion is looked to as one of interest, and we should be gratified that every surviving graduate should assemble with us to greet

Rogers is a value to her Alma Mater.

She has a long record of literary achievements behind her, as a poet and the friends of by-gone days and pay writer.



MRS. LOULA KENDALL ROGERS, '57 The oldest living graduate of Wesleyan, who was elected third vice-president of the association, or custodian of the records, at commencement time.

Always loyal and always active, Mrs.

the homage of grateful hearts to our Alma Mater.

Literary contributions from the Alumnae (annonymous if the writer prefers), are most cordially solicited. These we propose to read in our social reunion. Will you not favor us with something from your pen? A Memoir of some deceased College associate, or an ode, an essay on some theme, as your own taste may suggest.

An answer is requested.

Respectfully,

HARRIETTE FREEMAN, MARY DE GRAFFENRIED. HARIET M. COLCUITT.

Committee.

#### COMMENCEMENT SERMON

#### WESLEYAN COLLEGE

By Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, D.D., LL. D.

Lacking one thing only! Surely that cannot matter much. Only one! If I had all but one I think I should rest content. But that one thing was the supreme, ultimate, eternal necessity. This youth lacked his Master. He had never made the primary discovery that human life is not created for freedom, but for bondage, that only real freedom comes through bondage. The man who has no bondage has no freedom.

This is a strange doctrine, but it is nevertheless true in the deeper experience of human life. Truth is almost always stranger than fiction. It is only by striking down into the hidden depths of nature that we find those paradoxes in which the essence of truth resides. It looks at first like a burden, an impoverishment, a chain, but it is, in fact, an uplifting, an enrichment, an emancipation. For what is liberty? It is voluntary allegiance to the highest. The whole progress and elevation of the soul is a process of discovering that life is not independent and masterless, but that he only is free who sees and feels the obligation which binds him to serve the highest and best. The noblest and richest life is that which has the deepest and strongest sense of obligation always resting upon it and cheerfully submits to it's mastery and discharge.

The fundamental fault of most of the education of today is its failure to establish this very sense of authority. There is not only a liberalism of view that designates nothing as true with fixed and final authority, but there is a progressive decline in the demands of duty. There is a new and threatening independence in the educational process of today, which recognizes no authority and enforces no mastery of youthful life. Any wholesome education will lead to the recognition and development of all capacity and its subjection to the highest ends of life.

The ultimate allegiance of life is not to principles, but to persons. The surrender of personality to the highest personality is the salvation of the surrendered personality. Jesus of Nazareth is the highest. He has never been exceeded. He will never be superseded.

This youth was unwilling to meet the demand for the surrender of self to a new and supreme sovereign. He was willing to give up where it would not hurt, unwilling to give up where it would; he was willing to go the first mile, but unwilling to go the second mile of a daring idealism; he was willing to meet all the requirements of conventionality, but unwilling to make any drastic change in the program of life. This

is true of the multitude who are today unwilling to meet the revolutionary demands of Christ and Christianity.

But Christianity is intended to be revolutionary in all life. It demands the recognition of one master, even Christ, to whom supreme loyalty must be given in every realm of life. This is the acid test of discipleship. Has Jesus the supreme loyalty of life?

The highest earthly obligation is perhaps that of a son or daughter to parents, but Jesus said, "If any man love father or mother more than me, he is not worthy of me." There may come occasions in every Christian disciple's life when the issue is sharply drawn and even loyalty to loved ones cannot supersede the loyalty which Jesus claims.

Loyalty to one's college or university presses with commanding authority upon most of those who have enjoyed such privileges. For one to be an inheritor of the traditions and standards of Harvard or Princeton or Emory or Vassar or Wesleyan binds to a course of conformity that cannot be lightly set aside, but "if any man love college or university more than me, he is not worthy of me."

The obligations to friends and society are not to be ignored. There is what our fathers called a decent respect to the opinions of mankind. Views of propriety and virtue obtain in the circle of life where they move and reasonable people will conform as far as they can, but sometimes opinions and customs in a given circle array themselves against God. Discipleship demands that Jesus have the last word. "If any man love friends more than me, he is not worthy of me."

Business is one of the imperatives in most folk's lives. Far too frequently it is thought of as a realm of life that is independent and apart. There are no secular compartments in a Christian's life; they are all sacred and must be lived out under his loyalty. Business ought to make dividends, but its primary object is not to make money. Business is to serve society and build manhood and enrich civilization. It must be so conducted under the Kingship of Christ. "If any man love business more than me, he is not worthy of me."

Love of country is one of the finest passions. Patriotism stands close to piety, but there come times when loyalty to country must stand aside in the presence of Christ. If the German commander of the submarine that sank the Lusitania had said "no" to the general staff; had said "I'll face a firing squad before I'll murder those women and children", the whole course of the war might have been changed. Supreme love has been nailed to the cross more than once, but such love is lifting the world. "If any man love country more than me, he is not worthy of me."

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# BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS By William F. Quillian, D.D., Wesleyan College, June 1, 1925.

Members of the Class of 1925, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Another splendid class has come to the hour of graduation. The diploma which will be awarded you tonight will carry with it the seal of approval and the mark of distinction which belongs to every one who has completed the course of study in this historic college. This diploma represents the strength, the courage, and the perseverance which has marked your efforts from your freshman year. It carries with it the message of trust, of confidence, and of appreciation which the fostering mother feels for her faithful daughter.

At this commencement, Professor James Camillus Hinton, A. B., A. M.,— Phi Beta Kappa, retires from his long loved employ as an active professor in this institution. For thirty-five years he has given to Wesleyan the most efficient service of which he was capable. For twenty-five years he filled most acceptably the office of dean. He will continue with the college as editor of records, and will give to the institution the fruitage of his ripe years of study and experience in the faculty sessions and in the chapel services. Wesleyan will not let him go, for he has made such a large and splendid contribution and his influence will be stronger with the passing years. A distinguished and beloved teacher, a man of irreproachable character, of remarkable clarity in thought and expression a faithful and devoted servant of God, and the church we pledge to him our unfaltering affection and our unfailing loyalty. May he be spared yet many years to bless the world with his word and work!

And now it becomes my gracious privilege to speak the final word from your Alma Mater as you go forth to meet the untried responsibilities of the new and larger life. You are not tonight what you were when you entered these sacred halls for the first time. Your world has changed, and you have changed. We would not turn back the wheels of time, nor would we hurry you out into the responsibilities of the larger world that opens out before you. All life is a series of changing experiences—out of childhood into youth, out of youth into maturity, and into the practice of the principles which have marked our early days. "Be strong! We are not here to play, to dream, to drift. We have hard work to do and loads to lift. Shun not the struggle; face it. 'Tis God's gift. Be strong!" With the splendid training which you have enjoyed, with the wider culture that has come as a result of your student days, you will be expected to take places of leadership in the community where you may live. There will never come a time when you can afford to cease

your study. If your college days have done only one thing for you, they should have impressed you with the importance of constant and unremitting effort that you may realize your own possibilities and make your largest and best contribution to the life of your generation. You must bear in mind that you are a part of human society. "No man liveth to himself, and dieth to himself." The highest function of the college is to write upon the human heart the law of enrichment, of development of mind, of freedom, not merely for the individual but for all the world. You must not leave this Christian institution without sympathy for all good causes and without an earnest purpose to throw yourself into the struggle for right against wrong, for good against evil.

Your college course has been a failure if it has not impressed you with a sense of your responsibility to those that are weak and helpless. Here the mind has examined itself, and has become acquainted with its own powers and tendencies. As in a vision the variousness of life has been unfolded before you. Beneath such a vision the world's leaders have heard God's call and have gone forth to conquer in their day and generation. For a brief season you have been sheltered from the din of battle and the strife of tongues. But there are crimes to be condemned; there are wrongs to be righted; there is truth to be established.

To fill your place and to meet your obligation will require a courage and a devotion even greater than that which sent our boys to the banks of the Marne and out into the lurid glare of the Argonne forest. There is also a constructive service which must be rendered. It is a false idea that one is to be educated in order that he may have an easy time. You will and ought to have a harder time than if you had never been within college walls. Opportunity falls upon ears that are keen to the needs of the world. It is not the province of the educated to live delicately. clothed in purple and fine linen, fearing to soil one's dainty hands with the real toil of life. The way of the worthy is often the way of hard work. It is our task to go forth to awaken men to a sense of responsibility, to carry a message of good cheer, of hope and of love to all mankind. May I remind you once again of the fact, so plainly set forth in human experience and verified in the Word of God, that there is a definite plan for every life? Your preparation, the day in which you live, the larger freedom that has come to womankind remind us of the words of Mordecai to Esther, "Who knowest whether thou art come to the Kingdom for such a time as this." Scipio Africanus, before entering upon any great enterprise, always went to the capitol for a season of meditation and quiet. May we not for a few moments enter upon a time of genuine reflection, seeking to find ourselves in our relation to the life that lies in the future and in our relation to God who hath given us this life?

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#### NEW CLUBS ORGANIZED



Mrs. Bruce Cleckler Flanders, '22 Newly elected treasurer of the Association. Bruce was a good worker while in college and she has not ceased in her efforts to make her Alma Mater "go" since she became an Alumnae.

TWO live wire clubs have been organized within the past few months and the entire Wesleyan Association should congratulate them on their progress. Athens has a group of women in their club who would push anything to a desired goal. Enthusiastic accounts of the organization meeting have been given by Mrs. Julia DeLoach Vernooy, at whose residence the first meeting was held, and Mrs. Pope Holliday, the newly elected secretary of the club.

A newspaper account of the proceedings follows:

On Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. C. A. Vernooy on Milledge Avenue a permanent club of Wesleyan Alumnae was organized. Officers were elected as follows:

Mrs. Chas. Snelling, Club Chairman; Mrs. Pope Holliday, Secretary;

Mrs. Lamar Scott, Publicity Chairman; Mrs. Jere Pound, Treasurer; Mrs. E. C. McEvoy, Notification Chairman; Mrs. H. H. Carlton, Program Chairman.

The meeting was most enthusiastic and the club is composed of the following ladies: Mrs. Laurence Bray, Mrs, R. C. Wilson, Mrs. Duncan Burnette, Miss Julia Amis, Mrs. H. H. Carlton, Mrs. Lamar Cobb, Mrs. Lamar Scott, Mrs. E. B. Cohen, Mrs. R. R. Childs, Mrs. J. W. Barnett, Mrs. W. D. Beachem, Mrs. Munroe Dearing, Mrs. W. H. Davenport, Mrs. E. H. Kennebrew, Mrs. Pope Holliday, Mrs. Maggie Lamden, Mrs. H. J. Lyndon, Mrs. G. S. Mayne, Mrs. E. C. McEvoy, Mrs. Walter Mallory, Mrs. J. M. Pound, Mrs. Merritt Pound, Miss Amy Quillian, Miss Olive Quillian, Mrs. Chas. Snelling, Mrs. Julia White, Miss Nettie Pitner Webb, Miss John R. Northcutt, Mrs. Preston Brooks.

If there are any Wesleyan girls living in the city who are not members a cordial invitation is extended to them.

Mrs. Lamar Scott,
Publicity Chairman.

#### WELCOME TO ALUMNAE OF 1925

CLASS of '25, you have finished in one respect but in another you have just begun. You have passed from the stage of graduates to the honor of being an alumnae of the "Oldest and Best." You who are today alive with the visions which are yours of the bright and promising future, the ideals which are fresh and clear from any disillusionment, and the hopes which stretch before you of opportunities for service, all this and more may be brought back and made to return profit one hundred fold to your Alma Mater through your Alumnae Association.

You regret having to leave the beautiful friendships behind, you wept when you left the stately old halls never to return again. There is but one way to keep those friendships alive and those beloved corridors ever before you—through the ties which bind in your alumnae organization.

The sisters of the Wesleyan family greet you and welcome you to their midst. The world must have fresh life or it would grow gray and wrinkled with the youths of yesterday. You are the fresh life of your association the ones who will bear the torch when it drops from the hands of those who have carried it this far.

The past has been glorified, the present is bright, what will the future of Wesleyan be? What you make it! Is it not an inspiration to look back and see the ideals which have been established by Wesleyan alumnae, not all of them famous, and many of them whose work has been in secret; but all faithful to the trust? Miss Laura Haygood, Mrs. Alice Culler Cobb, Mrs. G. W. Mathews, Mrs. Lula Kendall Rogers, these are just a few of the many in whose bright footsteps you are privileged to walk if you catch the vision that they had, and dream their dreams.

And again we greet you—may your love and loyalty last through eternity as your Alma Mater's will for you!



# LITERARY ADDRESS OF PROFESSOR EDWIN MIMS, AT WESLEYAN COMMENCEMENT

THE literary address of commencement was delivered by Prof. Edwin Mims, M. A., LL. D., Ph. D., Professor of English language and literature of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. He spoke on types of Southern Womanhood as revealed in Southern Literature.

Professor Mims' discourse was essentially near to the hearts of a southern audience, and created the atmosphere of the old South and the traditions for which it stood. Through the literature which is known and loved by all Southerners he pointed to the development of womanhood from a delicate, beautiful, but useless, creature, to a self-reliant, independent thinking character of today.

"The South prides itself on its reverence for womanhood and Thomas Nelson Page has made us feel the charm of the genteel woman when the

Civil War broke out," said Dr. Mims.

Quoting from Page he showed the beautiful girl of the old South developing into the matron who was "doctor, nurse, mistress, teacher and slave. She was patriotic, resourceful, courageous and associated with columns, porticos, stately trees and mansions."

Leaving Virginia, he came to the Charleston portrayed in Owen Wister's Lady Baltimore. "But," he said, "the Charleston people did not like Lady Baltimore because they did nor care for any mention of themselves in the public press. What would they think of the society

columns of today?"

"But this is not the only type of woman in the old South", the speaker continued. "There is the middle class so ably shown by Mrs. Corra Harris in The Circuit Rider's Wife. She read nothing but her Bible and perhaps, Mother, Home and Heaven. She had little education, but she was a familiar figure at camp meeting and in the sacred confines of her home was 'the prophet's chamber'. We should not lose the ideals of these two types.

"However, we should not idealize the past. Mr. Walter Page was fond of saying, 'The Golden Age that never was.' The ante-bellum South was not the Golden Age. There was side by side two other types, the forgotten man and the forgotten woman. They are known as 'poor white trash'. In Ellen Glascow's the Voice of the People, the mother of Nichols Burr says, 'It's goin' on ten-year sence I stopped

to draw breath."

The speaker described the awakening of womanhood to her realization of herself after the days of Reconstructoin. He presented vividly the various portrayals of this awakening.

"To understand the present South is the supreme duty of every young woman who graduates. There is nothing more futile than to rail against the times in which we live. The present is fraught with dangers, but on the other hand, we must enjoy all the results of the times, and not destroy the sanctity of the past. There is a need to understand these things".

The speaker paid a glowing tribute to Sidney Lanier and, as he is the author of his Biography, he spoke with authority of the ideals this Macon poet and citizen had.

"The saddest commentary on college graduates is that they stop developing intellectually with the end of their school days", continued Professor Mims. "Love your books still, lift up the standards of taste of your community, develop a home not a house and have circulating libraries, not the stationary type. You will find in this an ideal life.

"The making of a real home is the noblest of all careers. We should not talk as if woman had just come into importance, a mother to be successful at her profession must be more kinds of a person than any other.

"I hope that there is a pathway from Wesleyan to the larger universities." Just here the speaker paid a tribute to his profession as a teacher.

"Go on until you reach the table lands," he concluded, "for the best is yet to be for those who take what they already have."

### NEW CLUBS ORGANIZED—Continued from page 10

The new club at Lakeland has already had an organization luncheon and is planning for a "good times husband" party during this fall. Reports on this club have been received from Mrs. Sarah Bryan Grubbs, and Mrs. Vivian S. King.

There are fourteen members of this club, who are, Mrs. Harold Beasley (Sara Clements), Mrs. Albert King (Vivian Souder), Mrs. D. W. Brantley (Hilda Blount), Miss Catherine Craig, Miss Ethel Hodges, Mrs. W. A. Covington, Mrs. Carl Cox, Mrs. Wallace Hunter, Mrs. E. S. Mack, Mrs. T. H. Rickerson, Mrs. Charles Rice, Mrs. Getzen, Mrs. B. F. Hines, Mrs. Paul Grubbs (Sarah Bryan).

Six Alumnae were organized into a club at Elbreton recently, but only one letter has been received with regard to it. Information is rather meager, however, and further news from this baby club is awaited with eager interest.

### MEMORIES OF WESLEYAN COLLEGE By a Student of 1857

ALWAYS I shall remember—'twas at sunset in November When our honored Alma Mater rose before my raptured sight. There were zephyrs gently sighing while the gold and crimson dyeing A hundred fair young faces in the rosy tinted light. For the world to them like opal reflected all things bright.

Ah, they only saw the flowers blooming in the wayside bowers,
Each holding crystal dew drops and visions of delight,
They knew not that the morrow would bring us grief and sorrow
Or the storm of War unheard afar, would cast a withering blight,
Transforming glorious visions to a dark and cheerless night!

Yet night brings out the gleaming of beauteous planets beaming All the brighter in the darkness, alighting earth and sky, So woman's strength and power in adversity's dark hour Should illumine hall and cottage though a wintry blast is nigh, For shadows grim can never dim her star-gemmed cross on high.

No study room could ever be more full of bright endeavor Than that to which my memory turns so happily today, Good humor never ceasing e'en when Latin was displeasing, For love can tint the hours both with zeal and golden ray, The aftermath a merry path to Learning's upward way.

Ida Winship with her roses and a smile where love reposes,
Was to my girlish fancy all a poet ever dreamed,
And Fannie Graham, enhancing every soul to her entrancing
So joyous in her loveliness, an elfin sprite she seemed
To hover near with words of cheer, God's sunlight on her gleamed!

There was one among the number who often in my slumber Rises radiantly before one like a spirit of the air, The clear blue skies above her and the mocking birds all love her So cheerful was the smile that shed its beauty everywhere, The dewy morn could ne'er adorn a cheek more sweet and fair.

To the summer house we wandered, as in twilight shade we pondered O'er some perplexing problem, or some lesson Nature taught, Then we lingered on the pages of the ancient classic sages, Interlining them with fancies that imagination wrought Singing ever, caring never what fate the future brought.

Alas! These friends are scattered—the flowers of youth are shattered, For life is not all sunshine—there is often grief and pain.

Death crept with stealthy lightness choosing Dinda in her brightness E'en when upon her snowy brow the bridal wreath was lain, A golden tie beyond the sky for us who yet remain.

Ere summer's glory ended, low the evening shades descended Where Augusta Wardlaw slumbered by the murmuring river side, Then Mary Mathis tender, in the sunset's radiant splendor Found a rest in Buena Vista where she stood a bonnie bride. So fades away the light of day when comes the surging tide!

Again Death's herald singing where Ocmulgee's waves are singing,
Bore away the peerless beauty, one gentle Georgia Conner,
How lovely was the voicing of her soul in praise rejoicing,
As angels smiled upon her, giving Alma Mater honor
For the gift of consecration to her wondrous minstrelsy!

Though many chords were broken, and last farewells were spoken, Some still were bravely battling 'mid the billows rolling high, Among them was dear Alice holding forth a golden chalice, Bearing blessings on the nations as her years are drifting by, Her lamp of Learning always burning incense to the sky.

Only three now living! But they today are giving
Their heart's best love to Wesleyan and its olden ties renew,
Fifteen have passed the portals of glorified immortals
Yet Ronie Mitchell, Virginia Hopson, Loula R. Endeavor
To give all honor to Alma Mater, and crown her Queen forever!

—Mrs. Loula Kendall Rogers.

Tennille, Georgia, May 28, 1923.

# A DREAM COME TRUE By Mary Louise Collings, '25

"But great it is to believe the dream
When we stand in youth by life's starry stream;
But a greater thing is to fight life through,
And say at the end, 'The dream is t ue.'"



MISS MARY LOUISE COLLINGS, '25 President of the Y. W. C. A. She represented Wesleyan at many religious gatherings and through her Wesleyan has become a factor in the religious student life of the world.

A T this closing of the Y. W. C. A. year, there comes a checking up time during which we wonder if our dream has come true—the dream with which the Association of 1924-25 set out. It is the privilege of those who have been doorkeepers in the house of the Lord, to see, probably, a little more clearly, than those who are within the doors, whether what has been going on in our Association has been movement and not just motion: whether it has been movement that in affecting the Wesleyan girls of this year will move the world, and do its part in establishing the Kingdom of God.

This hope does not seem too big when we realize that people, these two thousand years, have had it, and that all the Wesleyan girls

who have once had the same purpose are still members of our organization and are working at the same task, though in a different department of our great national movement. We do not hesitate to take such a broad, world outlook since we think of ourselves as united to each other, as united to you, and as united to the disciples of all ages.

There is a favorite story of ours, and in the sense of its being true, our dream for this year has come true:

"Once upon a time, in an art gallery of Italy, there stood, they tell us, a man in the presence of a beautiful portrait of Jesus Christ blessing the little children. As the man stood there, those who watched him saw that he was contemplating all that that figure meant to him. And he was overheard saying to himself, 'Bless Him, I love Him', and those

who were near could not resist the temptation of coming and taking his hand, and one man said, 'Bless Him, I love Him, too'. Then another one said, 'Bless Him, I love Him, I love Him, too,' until there was a little crowd of reverent faces upturned to the Christ, all saying 'Bless Him, I love Him.'

So, the Association of this year at Wesleyan, has joined with all the disciples of Jesus of all time, and we know you want to join with us too in saying as we contemplated in our hearts this picture of Christ, "Bless Him, we love Him, and we would serve Him, too".

#### BETTER CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION

By Harriet Evans, '25

To Wesleyan Alumnae active in all phases of this world's work and doing their part toward solving the problems of city, state, and nation, the organization on the campus of their Alma Mater which prepares students for citizenship, will be of interest. This organization is doing its bit toward sending out women in whom the highest principles of good government have been instilled, women interested in making the world better because of their vote.

The Wesleyan Student Government Association includes in its membership all boarding students, thus making each one share in her own government. The executive and judicial power is vested in the Student Council, composed of eighteen members; these are the officers: house-presidents, representatives from the four classes, and honorary representative from



MISS HARRIET EVANS, '25
President of the Student Government
Association, 1924-'25. One of the newest alumnae who has already done great
things for Wesleyan by her earnest work
during the Greater Wesleyan Campaign,
and her efforts toward the betterment
of the organization of the governing body

the Y. W. C. A. There is, working with the Council, an advisory Board from the faculty, of which the Counselor of Women is the chairman.

# THE ACADEMIC BUILDERS OF WESLEYAN By Prof. Leon P. Smith, Vice-President

NOTE-An address delivered on the Founder's Day occasion of this year.

WHEN the Board of Trustees decided during the administration of President Jenkins to build a swimming pool, it was announced in the dining room, and the girls who stayed to Commencement assembled on the front veranda and sang: "They're going to build a swimming pool, holding 40,000 gals." Now over 600 gals have the use of it.

This morning I will speak to you on the academic builders of Wesleyan. Mr. Coolidge, while he was Vice-President, addressed the students of Amherst at their commencement and said, "The material things of life cannot stand alone. Unless they are sustained by the spiritual things of life, they are not sustained at all. The work of the world cannot be done unless it is done from motives of righteousness." It is hard to measure spiritual values except in the idealism which they develop and show in spiritual results. I would speak today of idealists whose works endure.

In the rear of this auditorium is a marble slab inscribed: "This tablet is erected in memory of Jas. A. Everett for a generous donation to this institution, A. D. 1845". That was just six years after Wesleyan first opened its doors, and the gift was made to tide over a difficult place in the early history of the college. The family name of Everett is still found among his descendants at Ft. Valley. You know that Wesleyan was the first college to grant the bachelor's degree to women, and this gift probably was not large according to the standards of this day, but it marks an idealism remarkable for that time in the concept of the place of women in the sphere of scholarship.

So today I would pay a tribute to those men and women whose lives made impress on the new generation—the officers and teachers of Wesleyan. The names of these quiet and unpretentious builders are in most cases scarce remembered, but more than 80 years are covered by their sacrificial idealism and their spirit mounts heavenward. Men and women stood in these college halls who could say like Peter: "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have, give I unto you." And their gifts gave that strength which carried to China, Laura Haygood, and to the ends of the earth such women as Margaret Cook and Mary Culler White, and many another whose names suggest to us a halo of glory. Their gifts, scarce understood and inadequately rewarded, have made many a home life more blessed by the quiet influence of some mother who stood here at the beautiful gate of this temple. May it be our part

to be influences for a renewal of the home life that makes all our nation better. Such be the gift of these academic builders of Wesleyan.

Time is insufficient and my knowledge not clear enough to go back to those who bore the early struggles of the college. There were those among them whom I might glory in honoring today, and we will leave to some other occasion an appreciation of the character of such men as Dr. Wm. C. Bass and his predecessors. So we will begin with that princely man, Dr. John D. Hammond, a scholar with no small information on educational standards. He placed the curriculum in 1895 on a par with what it was in Emory College, and with a close identity in texts and classes. The result seemed to be a falling off in attendance and indicated that he had gone ahead of the age. But those who lead often walk alone or in small company. Just ten years before his administration there were not less than twenty colleges for women in Georgia which granted the A. B. degree. I recall one which admitted students from the sixth grade into college, and think that it was on a par with most of the twenty standards. The B. S. degree meant, not a zeal for scientific culture, but that the student did not or could not study Latin and wanted a shorter period than others for a degree.

Dr. Hammond created the office of Dean and placed our honored colleague, Prof. J. C. Hinton, in this position. Prof. Hinton was the first Dean of a woman's college in Georgia, and held this position at Weslevan for twenty-five years. So this morning I want to place special emphasis on the work of Prof. James Camillus Hinton in raising the standards of Weslevan. He stood like the rock of Gibraltar against lax standards, and his associates were generally found standing behind him in his work. I recall how he opposed a small college like Wesleyan offering a cheap Master of Arts degree, and how he realized that business courses and cheap diplomas based on a year's soft work in some line that did not mean solid and careful mental preparation were a discredit to a college with cultural aspirations. I had prepared this address with the hope that he would be here to hear what we believe and feel about him as one of the real builders of Weslevan. His splendid chapel talks are known to all of us, and it is to me an honor to have this apportunity to pay tribute to this master builder.

Dr. J. W. Roberts succeeded Dr. Hammond as President and caused the erection of the building which has a tablet bearing his name. You all know that the upper floors are filled with Freshmen and the lower ones have class rooms and laboratories. Young women, hear! Dr. Roberts had the rock wall torn down, I understand, and began the emancipation of your mothers. I have heard that there were holes in that old wall which were like the wall in Midsummer Night's Dream,

and messages bearing sweet sentiments filtered through this imaginary barrier. Hear ye Juniors! I learn that Dr. Roberts started the Junior Prom. Are you surprised that two of his sons married choice and beautiful young women of Macon?

In the succeeding administration of Hon. Dupont Guerry the building in which we sit this morning was re-built and this splendid auditorium was made one of the most attractive in the state. He caused the Music Department to be developed into the Wesleyan Conservatory of Music.

Bishop Ainsworth became President in 1909 and administered the erection of the Georgia Avenue Buidling, containing the largest and best equipped gymnasium in the state, with class rooms and biological laboratories above, leaving the two upper floors for the Juniors and Seniors. In the spring of 1912 the Student Government was first organized. I have been told by some of the old men here, such as Profs. Rosser, Daniel and Quillian, that every Friday afternoon the faculty, before the advent of the Student Government, had long drawn out sessions, investigating why Mary showed her love for John in so unacademic a way. In the last year of President Ainsworth's administration Dr. Charles R. Jenkins was created Vice-President, and succeeded to the presidency in the fall of 1912.

While Dr. Jenkins was President the sororities were abolished and likewise Wesleyan's Academy or Preparator School. The sororities were originally established as literary organizations, and I may add that sororities and fraternities were all formerly designed to stimulate scholarship, and in many places have degenerated into exclusive social clubs. In 1919, Weslevan was admitted to the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and joined the Association of American Colleges. During Dr. Jenkins' administration significant amounts were added to those obtained by President Ainsworth to the endowment of the college, enabling it to possess the needed \$250,000 endowment required for membership in the Southern Association. Soon after its admission the requirements were raised to a miminum of \$500,000, and Wesleyan was given limited time to raise the necessary amount. During Dr. Jenkins' presidency Mr. E. T. Comer added \$50,000 to the loan fund of the college in the honor of his mother who graduated at Wesleyan in 1841

Dr. Quillian succeeded to the presidency in 1920, and his first effort was to raise the extra amount needed for endowment. Under his guidance the endowment was raised to \$600,000. Mrs. Dora L. McDonald gave \$25,000 to the library in memory of her daughter, an alumna of Wesleyan, and the Rockefeller Fund General Board has given \$100,000 to the endowment, and these gifts and hundreds of others marked the (Continued on page 44)

# ALUMNAE AT WORK MRS. VIOLA ROSS NAPIER, Legislator

I N one short hour Mrs. Viola Ross Napier unconsciously demonstrated the fact that she was mother, statesman, friend, and Wesleyan alumnae.

One visit to the unpretentious office of this daughter of Wesleyan, who, within the last six years has studied her law, taken up the practice, and been elected to the Georgia legislature, will prove that she is at work, four-fold.

She talked about the legislature because she knew that was what the visitor had come to discuss but her mind was elsewhere until it finally developed that she was expecting an old negro woman in the office, for whose son she had a pardon. Her interest was much more acutely centered on the joy she was going to give the old negro mammy than on the Highway bill, the commissioners bill, and all of the other thousand she was expected to discuss.

At last, however, she was pinned down to her subject and then she discussed it with an insight, a foresight, and an authority startling to find in one who had been in politics for so short a time.

Mrs. Napier was chairman of the committee on Training Schools from the General Assembly which had charge of passing on the report of the Child Code Commission. A report which provides for the codification of all of Georgia's laws with regard to children; and the passage of new laws within this code for the further protection of under-privileged children. She is a leading spirit in this great work and intends to see it carried through to a successful termination.

Here she was abruptly interrupted—a small voice said over the phone, "Mamma, a pipe's leaking in the back yard," and the statesman was all mother in an instant. She cross-questioned her daughter, found the matter to be serious and called a plumber. She turned to the interviewer again with some remarks about the younger generation, which showed that she had expert knowledge of her subject, from personal contact.

The regular interview went on to a successful termination, and then the conversation turned to Wesleyan and she was just as eagerly interested in that subject as she had been in "mammy", the child's code, or the leak.

Yes, this Wesleyan graduate is doing her work in the world, raising her brood of five, being a successful lawyer and seeing that the right laws are passed in the legislature, she still is ready and willing to do anything she can for her Alma Mater.

### A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD WITH ETHEL BARCO JACKSON

(NOTE—A trip around the world! What dreams of delight that brings before our eyes. How Wesleyan alumnae would like to have taken this trip with Mrs. James M. Jackson, nee Ethel Barco, of Miami, Fla., Class of 1891. But she has written us about her trip and so we will go with her, by proxy.)

MRS. JACKSON is in Paris now, the city of delights. She expects to remain there quite a while having gone that far with her companions on the globe circling trip. She will spend next winter in Italy, enjoying its balmy climate and visiting the many historic places on this peninsular.

She has been gone since November of last year and will be away quite awhile longer but she is writing back to friends about the wonderful

times she is having and thus her friends are enjoying it with her.

The "Around the World" tour was made on the S. S. Belgenland. Starting from New York they followed the shore line of the United States, through the Gulf of Mexico and into the Panama Canal. There were brief stops on the Western coast at Los Angeles and California.

Mrs. Jackson writes of the beauties of Japan and has sent a picture of herself riding in a rickshaw. She says: "Travelling in this rig is not half bad. They hurry along at good speed up the steepest hill and down long flights of steps. You feel as if you would go over on your head".

A folder of the Imperial Hotel of Japan, called the Jewel of the Orient, sent home by Mrs. Jackson, shows wonderful views of this magnificient structure where she visited.

She says that she had lunch with Ethel and Alice Allen in Shanghai; and "Ethel looks as she did thirty years ago", she concluded.

A card from Kyoto with the picture of an enormous bell on it bears this legend: "A man was told to cast a perfect bell, and had failed once. He was to be killed the next time he failed, so his daughter knowing this threw herself into the molten bronze, as he was forging it, thinking the sacrifice might make the tone pure. Her father grabbed her foot, and the slipper came off. The tone is perfect and is said to be the lady calling for her slipper."

The next communication came from Naples, the first spot on European soil which they touched, after visiting Manila, Singapore, Calcutta and Egypt.

We are expecting to hear a great deal more about Ethel's trip when she returns from this delightful voyage.

#### "DARE YOU TO BE A CHRISTIAN?"

# THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF THE U. S. AND CANADA

By Hattie Branch, '25

THE Foreign Missionary Co-n ference, held in Washington, D. C., January 28th to February 2nd, was, indeed, an international, as well as an interdenominational. convention. The five thousand delegates present represented the most powerful leaders of Christ's Church from practically every nation of the world, namely: Germany, France, England, Norway, Sweden, Russia, India, China, Japan, Korea, Canada and the United States. Between eight and ten thousand Washington people attended the meetings at various times.

A total of eighty-five different denominations were represented. Eleven Mission Training Schools sent delegates. About nine Southern colleges were represented and



MISS HATTIE BRANCH, '25 Wesleyan representative to the World Missions Conference at Washington, D. C. She is a religious leader both in thought and actions.

probably the same number of Northern schools. Thus, this great meeting will always stand as a high water mark in the building of the Kingdom of God, for some of the main speakers are among the greatest ambassadors for Christ that the world has ever known, such as John R. Mott, Robert Speer, Robert Wilder, Bishops Mouson, Brent, Cannon; Miss Mabel K. Howell, Mrs. Hume Steele, E. Stanley Jones, Dr. Zumbrunnen, and missionaries from many fields.

Unlike other Missionary Conferences, the convention emphasized the duty of those at the Home Base to the cause of missions. In the words of the first speaker, its key note may be expressed as follows: "Only by implanting in the hearts of our own nation the seeds of the Kingdom of Christ can the world be redeemed." Ghandi and other leaders of the non-Christian world have said, "If you Christians will live (Continued on page 24)

# THE WESLEYAN SPIRIT PORTRAYED IN ANNUAL By Eunice Thomson



MISS EUNICE THOMSON, '25 Editor of The Veterropt. No more artistic publication has ever been compiled than the 1925 Veterropt. With her wonderful talent for writing, Eunice has done her bit and a bit more for Wesleyan.

THERE is something called the "spirit of Wesleyan" that one cannot touch or define; even with all the words that Webster offers, one cannot describe it. But it is there just the same; every Wesleyan girl feels it, and is strangely warmed by it.

It is this "spirit of Wesleyan" that the Veterropt attempts to picture and preserve for the future days when youth grows into womanhood, and friends are far apart. In the campus views, in the little cuts of one's classmates and college mates, in the bits of schoolgirl memories, the Veterropt, namesake of the Oldest and Best, crystallizes the golden moments of college life, and helps the Wesleyan girl to carry away, locked up with her dearest treasures, the "spirit of Wesleyan."

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like your Master, we cannot resist your religion or your Christ. He seems to us to be the Inescapable Christ. He is the highest expression of God that we have ever seen. He is conquering us against our wills."

Wesleyan girls, the challenge is thrown out to you and to me; "DARE YOU TO BE A CHRISTIAN?" Christ has said: "I am the way, the truth and the life." What the world needs today is single personalities endowed with spiritual power to love Christ, to live Christ, and to give Christ. "He invaded Africa through Livingston; He invaded England through Wesley; He wants to invade America through us."

Hear what India says to the America of today: "Christianity is not true, Christianity is not new, Christianity is not you." So America must cease taking her Western civilization to other countries and take to them, instead, Christ, a living Personality. Again the challenge comes:

"DARE YOU TO BE A CHRISTIAN?"

#### IT WAS GOOD TO BE BACK

REBEKAH OLIPHANT ANTHONY, '23

COMMENCEMENT, with all of its flurry of greetings and partings, with all of its dignity and tears, with all of its joy and sadness, has taken its place with all the other eighty-six commencements through which this old college of ours has serenely passed.

The undergraduates have gone home to dream of the day when they, looking as dignified as the grave young seniors of this year, shall receive diplomas and all the honors which their Alma Mater can bestow. The graduates, feeling a bit lost and bewildered, have gone back from whence they came to readjust their whole plan of living and to find new fields to conquer. The alumnae are back at home, planning next year's work or taking up again the business of being general manager of a home and telling every alumnae who could not come that it was good to be back again at Wesleyan.

Undergraduates, I think, always feel a bit sorry for alumnae back on a visit, and perhaps that accounts in part for their cordiality and thoughtfulness. They imagine how dreadful it must be to find other girls waving your class colors, living in the room in which you used to have such hilarious times, and to miss the faces which made up the Wesleyan of your day,—in short, to be back and yet to have not even a finger in the pie. How mistaken they are they never discover until some day, feeling as timid as freshmen, they go back to discover that next to being at Wesleyan four whole years, a visit back is the nicest thing imaginable.

A commencement at Weslevan after school days are over is an experience which each alumna should have for the sake of the perspective it gives. While you are in college, you think of Wesleyan as being composed of four classes, and you never become quite accustomed to the shifting that goes on in the personnel of those four classes. You are continually wondering whether last year's seniors are really "lost now in the wide, wide world." But coming back, you find the whole panorama of Weslevan spread out before you. You realize that you are but one of the chorus of a vast drama, which has been in progress eightyseven years, and which will continue through the years to come, and you feel humbly grateful for the part which has been yours to play. It is the difference between looking at a great picture close to you, and looking at the same picture at a distance; in the first instance you appreciate the charm of the details of the picture, in the latter, you catch the vast sweep of the great design. The fragile charm of Mrs. Lula Kendall Rogers. Weslevan's oldest living alumna, and the eager hope in the

eyes of the newest graduate fill you with a feeling of awe which is not far from tears.

A queer feeling of a changing order is yours as you come back to Wesleyan. This year a glimpse of the light dress of an alumnae trustee among the somber black coats of the men trustees brought before you sharply the fact that each year at Wesleyan marks the coming of many new things and you murmur a fervent prayer that wisdom may be given her to keep the best of the old and take the best of the new and from the fusion of the two build that greatest Wesleyan of tomorrow.

And then there are other more concrete and personal joys which home-coming at commencement offers—an unexpected meeting with someone who was in school with you and a happy exchange of reminiscences, a pleasant feeling of exhilaration that folks at Wesleyan haven't forgotten you, the joy of finding unaltered the landmarks of Wesleyan—the crow's nest, Uncle Johnson, the very pictures which hang on the walls of the grand parlor. And then there are experiences which are particularly Wesleyan's own—seeing a brand new graduate with a queer badge pinned to her black gown which she tells you proudly her mother wore when she was graduated from Wesleyan thirty years ago, and then adds that she would be wearing one for her grandmother as well, except that Wesleyan graduates in that early day did not wear badges, meeting a portly lady who tells you that she roomed with your very own aunt right up there in that tower room on the second floor.

As I pack my suit-case to go home after my second alumnae commencement, I take away an even greater pride in the fact that I am counted among the daughters of Wesleyan, and an even greater resolve to do what I can for the college I love so well. Indeed it was good to be back!

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There is brought about through the organization a greater consciousness of the need for each individual governing herself and for doing nothing to interfere with the rights of others. The feeling of responsibility of every individual toward the government of the whole and the importance of right exercise of her voting power becomes a realization, sacred to the hopes of future accomplishment of world peace and Christian world citizenship.

# THE SPIRIT OF THE WESLEYAN By Frances Peabody

THE monthly literary magazine at Wesleyan exemplifies the spirit of the school by its name. The Wesleyan. Its highest aim is to preserve for traditions all of the writings of those who are but transients at Wesleyan, whose short stay of four years is lengthened into eternity through the pages of this magazine.

The common place, the every day, the news is set forth in the newspaper; and the newspaper, like its professional sisters, lives but a day except for the fine editorials and records of school life held there.

The ideals, the inspirations, and the high points are caught by the magazine and held there to inspire those who come after and to hold a standard of literary merit.



MISS FRANCES PEABODY, '25 Editor of The Wesleyan, during the past year. She devoted her scholastic efforts to advertising Wesleyan.

More than verse and more than prose is the content of The Wesleyan—it is the development of literary talent which may in after years make its possessor famous. Poetry written and poetry printed bears the same differences as an unbaked pie and a tart of golden brown. The published story creates the "urge to write" stronger than any compliments on fine writings or even high marks. It is a case of the ice once broken; and then being ready for the plunge.

But, you say, stories and poems! a magazine without more gives narrow training. These features are what might be called the "stand bys," but essays, editorials, and even current topics are treated in a literary way and placed in these columns. The Political Issue of the magazine this year contained such material.

And so the school life goes on, producing now and then a Mary Culler White. In another class a Laura Haygood or an Alice Culler Cobb. In one year a Willie Snow Etheridge, and yet again a Rebekah Caudill or Rebekah Oliphant Anthony. Great things are predicted for those who go out now and in the near future, who have produced literary work worthy to be published in The Wesleyan

#### **MEMORIES**

NOTE—Chapter of Wesleyan Experiences written by Mrs. Ella Burton Scarborough of Americus, Ga., formerly of Ellaville, Ga., which was named in her honor.

I T was in 1861 that my sister, Clara, afterwards Mrs. Chas. F. Crispand entered college. I was thirteen years old and Clara or "Honey" as I called her, was twelve.

My father was a Captain in the Confederate army and my mother, like all Southern women, followed him as much as possible, from pillar to post, so we were sent to Wesleyan College in October, 1861, and there we stayed for safe-keeping until the close of the war.

Up to this time neither Honey or myself had even so much as laced our own shoes or combed our own hair, so we were forlorn little girls indeed until our father came to see us and was so aghast at our neglected appearance that he went home and sent Frances, our black mammy, to look after us and she was with us until lack of funds necessitated our leaving college.

I do not believe that I was so unkempt as Honey, because I was fortunate enough to find a friend in Miss Laura Haygood, one of the older girls at that time. I was sick and she was wonderfully kind to me, took me into her own room and nursed me until Frances came.

Dr. Bonnell was President of Wesleyan at this time. He was a fine man and an unusual executive.

The college was crowded, it seemed to me that there were a thousand girls and yet we had very little sickness.

How we kept the buildings and grounds sanitary with none of our modern appliances is remarkable.

I recall that large cans of disinfectants were placed in every nook and corner.

I took lessons on the harp and guitar from Miss Lula Guttenberger and piano lessons from her father.

I had French from Dr. Swartz and embroidery from Mrs. Swartz. Little Cosby Smith taught mathematics and it was an almost daily occurrence for him to say to Honey, when she was inattentive, "Stick a pin Miss Clarissy, stick a pin."

Honey was brighter than I, but I believe I was more of a student. She was up before faculty once for sticking her head out of the front door, which was against the rules, and calling to Mr. Solomon and some

other of the trustees to "Step, Step, Step."

On only one occasion was I reproved and that was an injustice. It was in the dining room and I inadvertently poured more syrup into my plate than I could possibly eat. Mrs. Mollie Redding, the housekeeper, at

whose table I sat, told me to carry my plate to the President. After I had threaded my way through the crowded room to Dr. Bonnell, he said gently: "That is all right, Miss Ella, just go back to your seat and finish your meal."

Dr. W. C. Bass, afterwards president of the college, was professor of Natural Science, and Dr. Foster taught us Latin.

My autograph album brings to my mind recollections of many warm friends of those early days. Some of the girls I remember, of course, better than others. Baby Payne, as we called her, the daughter of Bishop Payne of Mississippi, was a lovely girl; Lizzie Clifton of Perrys Mill, Ga., stands out in my memory. She married a politician. Loulie Bonnell, an angel on earth, died and numbered one more in heaven.

Annie Shumake, of Burke Co., Ga., and Annie Wright, of Albany, Ga., are written large in the album.

There was more sad days than glad ones for Wesleyan girls in the Sixties. Tidings from loved ones who were killed, wounded or taken prisoner in battle were not unusual.

But we were young and busy and some of us were very happy hearted. I remember one little incident that is typical to this day:

A new girl had arrived and we gathered on the back porch, close to the dining room door to see her as she came out to supper with Dr. Bonnell. "Who is she? Who is she?" was whispered and she suddenly turned, made us a sweeping bow and said, "I am Miss Roberta Harrison, of Quincy, Fla."

One other event that will always linger a pleasant memory is my first romance. My father would take us to the Lanier House to spend the day on the occasional visits he made us, and if a show worth while was in town, we were taken to see that too. During one of these visits to the theatre, a young soldier, at home recovering from a wound received at Gettysburg, was in the audience.

It was love at first sight. The next morning I received a bunch of beautiful roses brought by my old friend, Minnie Tindell, with a message that he wished an introduction. This was arranged through our mutual friend, Col. Thomas Mangham.

From this time on to the close of the war my college life was a dream. Every day I was remembered with flowers, books or music. I still have in my possession one song, "Under the Daisies", where he sleeps, the wound proving fatal at last.

An amusing incident was a prank that Honey played. She said that she had always hung up her stocking Christmas eve and she was going

to get one from Mother Evans and hang it in Dr. Bonnell's study. This she did and Christmas morning she went down to find a keen little switch and a poem which ran this:

Miss Clara Belle Burton, I love you for certain; Would love you twenty times more If you would learn to spell better, When writing a letter, As your papa has told you before."

#### A COIN

By Frances Peabody, '25

JUST a coin, but embodied in it is all of the traditions of the old South, all of the life blood of those who died for a cause in which they believed devoutly. Even the hatred of these noble souls is sacred to those who are descended from this army of the gray.

And now its value is further enhanced by its being presented to the Seniors at Wesleyan to commenorate Geo. I. Seney and Atticus G. Haygood, two of the most beloved founders of the "Oldest and Best."

Judge John Candler, of Atlanta, is the donor.

Each Senior received one from Judge Candler, and what memory book will be sacred enough to receive it? In these days of thoughtless youth it may mean a mere coin; but when the tides of time have rolled over their heads its value will be beyond compare. When the sense of values has been adjusted to meet the wisdom of further years, this small coin will come to occupy a larger and larger place among the treasures.

A story of real truth could be woven around this one small bit of metal which would make a heart throb with the thrill of the most daring adventures, and break with the pathos of it. A story which would portray the war days, the times of Reconstruction, the beloved old veterans of today; and threading through it all the story of the brave hearts which fought, and won, in this southland for the first institution of learning for women in the world. And then the Christ-like story of a man from New York who was able to forget the strife so far in 1881 that he presented Wesleyan with an endowment which enabled her to keep the doors forever open for the training of the South's fair daughters. "In memory of my mother," the gift read. Mother-love, the most powerful factor of the universe.

Only a coin; unless its message is read aright.

### A LITTLE INCIDENT AT WESLEYAN COLLEGE IN THE DAYS OF LONG AGO: 1873

FIFTY years ago, Dr. Myers was President of Wesleyan College. Ella Merritt of Friendship, Ga., a sister of Dr. Merritt, was one of the students at that time. She became quite sick, and after the matron failed to do her any good, a physician was called in. As soon as he made an examination he reported to Dr. Myers that it was smallpox. This astounded Dr. Myers so much, he could not believe it; he said that he knew it was not true, for she had not been anywhere to be exposed to it, and he did not want him to mention such a thing, for it would ruin the college, and in indignation he said that he would go up and examine her himself, which he did.

In those days the girls all wore high neck and long sleeve gowns (quite different from those worn now), so Dr. Myers told her to push up her sleeve so he could see her arm. When she did, he found it all broken out with smallpox; this was at night, so he tried to keep it a secret from all the girls; he forbid any of them going near her room, saying that she was a very sick girl, and the next morning at the breakfast table, he told the girls that Ella Merritt had smallpox, and they had better all go to their homes on the noon trains. This, of course, caused a perfect stampede among the girls, and Floyd Fort (then Floyd Hollis), was so badly frightened that she never went back into the building, but slipped out at the gate, and came home on the early morning train. She did not go back to her room to get her hat, money, or anything. In those days people thought you were crazy if you went bareheaded anywhere, and most of the girls wore bonnets, but she went through town and borrowed enough money to pay her way home from a gentleman that she knew. She said that she just could not go back into the building for she thought she would be quarantined, and she felt like she would die if she was there, even if she did not have smallpox.

There was a scattering of girls from the college that day. Several of them had the smallpox after they left there.

I was Freshman then, and one of the girls in my class, Eugenia Fitz-patrick, from Gordon, Ga., had it after she went home. She is an aunt of Mrs. Julia Gordon House, who lives across the street from me. Dr. Myers also had it. He, Ella Merritt (who is now Mrs. Thurmand, of Atlanta), and Eugenia, all recovered, but several died.

Smallpox was looked upon then as something terrible, almost equal to leprosy, and, of course, it is something dreadful yet, but we don't fear it now as we did then for the physicians have learned how to control it. After the epidemic was over, an school opened up again, Eugenia

came back, and she was the worst looking girl I ever saw, she was dreadfully pitted, and so blue. As soon as she saw me she came and kissed me, and I think I was as badly frightened as Floyd Hollis was, for I was sure that I would then have smallpox.

College girls then were as they are today, always having some fad, and at that time it was pretty white aprons and flannel sacks. Every girl vied with the others in trying to have the prettiest. Eugenia had a beautiful new sack when she went home, and when she came back she had on the same sack, and her long black curls were just the same. I thought those curls and that sack were full of smallpox, as I had always heard that germs were carried in hair and woolen things, but no one else had it after that.

The last thing in the evening at college was for everybody to go to chapel for prayers. The first evening after school began, Dr. Myers told the girls that Minnie Drane from Buena Vista, who is now Mrs. Bullock, of Columbus, said that Floyd Hollis would not come back, and he wanted to tell the class that there was a chance for someone to get an honor place, for Floyd certainly would have gotten one if she had come back. She was several years older than I, but I thought she was the prettiest girl I ever saw, and nothing pleased me more than to sit and listen to her talk.

Those were grand old days; our happiest days, and how proud we all should be that we have been so blessed as to be able to proclaim that Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga., the oldest female college in the world, and whose name is known in every land, is our Alma Mater.

These little incidents remind us of happy times, and forgotten faces, that were once familiar there in the long ago-yesterdays. I am so glad that I live in Georgia land, the best land in the world, and I want my final resting-place to be under dear old Georgia soil; warmed by the rays of Georgia sun, and shaded by the whispering branches of Georgia trees.

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If these days of preparation have meant anything to you, they have brought you to that place and to that position where you can clearly see and understand the meaning of life and the message of God. The psalmist said, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills". The hill country hath its charm. It lifts us from the lower levels; it gives us the higher contacts; it makes us men and women of the larger power and of the wider horizon. When the psalmist had lifted his eyes unto the hills, he cried out, "from whence cometh my help? my help cometh from the Lord who made heaven and earth". This man could look beyond the highest peak and see the real source of unfailing strength.

The great Apostle to the Gentiles, when blinded by the vision and thrown from his horse on the Damascus road, was able to envisage the Master of all hearts and to realize that it was Jesus whom he persecuted.

The young court preacher, Isaiah, in the year that King Uzziah died, saw visions of God. Mid cherubim and seraphim there came flaming coals of fire purging him from his iniquity and enabling him in an act of supreme sacrifice to say "Here am I, Lord, send me".

Multitudes of people are stumbling along life's rugged highway. seeking the holy grail of joy, of peace, and of contentment, blinded to the fact that the vision splendid is to be realized in service to the lives of those who are nearest at hand. A single copper cent, the symbol of gross materialism, if held sufficiently near the human eye, will shut out the beauty and glory of mountain and sky and sun. The foolish pleasures of sin rob the mind of its higher purpose and send the soul careening down life's flowering paths only to find at last that all is vanity. The mad struggle for promotion, even though it involves hurt and injury to our fellow man, is unworthy of the soul that is living upon the higher levels. What vision have you caught from your days of lofty privilege at historic Weslevan? The test of your vision will find expression in the service that you render to humanity. One of the most beautiful stories of recent time is that of the little Chinese girl who was struggling through the streets, bearing the heavy burden of a growing child. When some one said, "That child is too heavy for you to carry, won't you let me help you?", the devoted sister replied, "He is not heavy, he's my brother." It is this attitude that will lead us to render the largest and best service. even at the sacrifice of self, to those with whom we come in contact.

Thomas Carlyle has said that the whole world is as a cup filled with hissing, seething, writhing serpents, each trying to push its head above the heads of its fellows. This is not true. More than ever the business men of the world are filled with the desire to serve their fellow-men. Men are learning that he who would rise must lift; that as we destroy our fellow-man we destroy ourself; that as we divide the finer qualities of our soul, we find these qualities multiplied in our own personality. The talent must not be wrapped in a napkin; the seed must not be concealed in a mighty pyramid; they must be put to work, and in rendering this service they will be multiplied a thousand fold. One of the most beautiful scenes in the life of our Lord is that one which represents Him as talking with his disciples, seeking to teach them the way of life. Coming near is the mother of Zebedee's children, seeking for James and John the chief places in the coming kingdom. The Master thrust out

### WESLEYAN TODAY

From Newspaper Clippings

#### CLASS OF '44

A recent newspaper story says that perhaps the youngest applicant for entrance to a college or university was an 8-months-old youngster who applied through his father for entrance to the University of Pennsylvania in the class of '45.

The word "perhaps" leaves room for Wesleyan College to dispute this statement for she claims the youngest applicant to be Miss Laura

May Fincher, Atlanta, five months old.

The reservation fee was received during commencement by Dr. W. F. Quillian, president, for a room, or perhaps a suite, in Greater Wesleyan for her, and the young lady expects to enter in 1940 if she is particularly bright, since she will be only 15.

The prospective student is the niece of Miss Genie Fincher, who sent the reservation. She suggested that the commencement program include a baby show each year, so that the classmates could get ac-

quainted with the babies as well.

Dr. Quillian said that numbers of people have said that they wanted to make reservations, but this is the first bona fide money order that he has received for this purpose. She said in her letter that she wanted her to be sure to have a place.

#### W. F. QUILLIAN FUND FOUNDED

The William F. Quillian Gift Scholarship of \$200 was established at Wesleyan by the Y. W. C. A. last spring, it was announced at commencement time. The proceeds of this are to be used to defray the expenses of candidates when the addition made to the original amount shall enable the recipients to pay tuition from the interest received.

It is understood that the Y. W. C. A. cabinet shall select the student to receive the scholarship from three nominees to be offered by the president of the college. If conditions should change the plans, the fund may be distributed so that more than one may become the beneficiary in a given year.

The scholarship will be held by the treasurer of the college, and entails upon the beneficiary no obligation whatsoever.

The committee in charge of drawing up the plans was composed of Margaret Zattau, Katherin Harmon, and Mildred Jackson, chairman.

The statement in regard to the scholarship follows:

"The Young Women's Christian Association of Wesleyan College desires to establish a gift scholarship to be held by the treasurer of the college, the proceeds from which to be used in defraying the expenses of some worthy and needy student.

"It is proposed that the initial amount of \$200 which has been paid into the college treasury shall be augmented from time to time by other gifts until a sufficient amount has been realized, the income from which will defray expenses of tuition for a student.

"It is understood that the college president shall have the privilege of nominating three candidates for this scholarship. The Y. W. cabinet will decide as to which of the candidates shall receive the scholarship; or if the conditions shall warrant a change in the general plan, the fund may be distributed so that more than one may become the beneficiary in a given year.

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## WESLEYAN GIVEN MORE PUBLICITY

Wesleyan College is one of the two institutions of the south mentioned in the 1925 edition of the Blue Book of Southern Progress, published by the Manufacturers' Record, Baltimore, Md. This publication views the south from every angle and in the educational division includes Wesleyan as the oldest chartered college for women in the world.

The subject of the article is The Educational Activities of the South in Early Days and in Later Years. It says: "Educational enthusiasm in the South is not new. Some people have had the idea that prior to the Civil War the south did not give as much attention to educational work as other sections. That is a mistake. In many respects the south led in educational activities as well as in other things.

"The first degree ever issued in the world by any college to a woman was by the Wesleyan College of Macon, Ga., which had been chartered in 1836."

The article also tells of the first graduate, Miss Catherine E. Brewer, later the mother of Admiral William S. Benson; and it also gives something of Wesleyan's growth.

The Blue Book publishes three pictures pertaining to Wesleyan with the article. The other college mentioned is William and Mary College of Virginia.

#### CONCERTS TO BE SPONSORED

The Master Artists' Concerts will be sponsored again next winter by the Wesleyan Conservatory, it was announced by Prof. Joseph Maerz, head of the Conservatory, in discussing the plans for next year. No contracts have been signed as yet but Prof. Maerz says that he expects to bring the six greatest artists in the lines of

singers, violinists, and pianists in America to Wesleyan next season. In addition to the musical concerts there will be several lecture programs.

The details for expansion of the department of Wesleyan have not been completed but it is certain that them must be more accommodation for the students who, judging from the spring registrations, will require more than twice the room they had last year.

The Piano and Organ department will grow with the probable purchase of some new instruments. Miss Louise C. Titcomb, professor of Pipe Organ, will return from abroad where she has been studying for the past year.

The Conservatory's first year as a separate Department has been most successful, according to Dr. Quillian. It has allowed far greater development and more thorough work.

This is the only department at Wesleyan which offers a summer course. This year the summer school is filled and the professors have all that they can do. The courses include, composition and theory; and private lessons in piano and violin.

#### WESLEYAN GIRL GETS Y HONOR

Wesleyan College sent a splendid representation to the student Y. W. C. A. conference which is held at Blue Ridge, N. C., each summer.

The purpose of this conference is to train students in the work and spirit of the Y. W. C. A. There are study and discussion groups arranged for this assembly for the purpose of affording a broader vision to those students who are to lead the religious thought of their institution during the next year.

Miss ReLee Mallory, of Sylvania, 1925-'26, president of the Wesleyan Y. W. C. A., was elected to a signal honor at this conference which is just finished. She was named a member of the Southern Division Council of Student Y. W. C. A.'s. This will be the fifth year that Wesleyan has had a representative on this council, Miss

Mary Wilson, of Covington, Tenn., undergraduate representative from Wesleyan for two years, served during 1923-'24 and 1924-'25; Miss Fannie Bell Outler, of Americus, undergraduate representative during 1921-'22 and 1922-'23, represented Wesleyan during her term of office.

#### WESLEYAN JUNIORS TO AID FRESHMEN

Plans are being made by the incoming junior class at Wesleyan in regard to the training of the next year's freshman class. It seems to be an advancement over the old order of things, as there are to be advisors from the junior class to give aid of various kinds to the freshmen, such as helping with the schedules, teaching the college traditions, and raising the importance of college rules and the furtherance of the honor system.

The advisors are to consist of Misses Frances Horner, Marie New and Fairfid Monsalvatge.

The Y. W. C. A. is going to invite the freshmen to come to the college about a week before the formal opening of the regular college session, and during this time the freshmen will have time to get acquainted with each other as well as to learn about other things of benefit to them.

During the summer the junior class will send the colors of the freshmen to them, as well as to write personal letters. Then at the first of October a party will be given, at which time the junior sisters will be chosen by the freshmen. It is thought by waiting the freshmen girls will have a better opportunity of knowing who she wants for her junior sister.

Also during the first few days of matriculation, each junior will wear the junior class colors, as a sign of aid and help for the freshmen. It is to be modelled on the line of the Y. W. C. A. only the colors are to consist of ribbon that is worn on the sleeve of the junior.

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God's smile light thee, sisters, whate'er may betide.

How sad is the parting! How fickle the hour!

Tears mingle with gladness, as sunshine with shower;
Joy smiles o'er your future, Love weeps that we part;
Hope beams in our faces, Grief dwells in the heart.
A page from life's story is read us today—
Grief is handmaid of Joy; and sisters, we pray,
May God's angels guard you; may God's angels guide,
God's smile light your future, whaet'er may betide.

COMMENCEMENT SERMON—Continued from page 7

Christ must stand first. More than Aristotle is to philosophy, or Jefferson to the science of government, or Blackstone to law, or Copernicus to astronomy, Jesus must be in the realm of morals and life. I appeal for His mastery. To accept Him is to share all the best thoughts of the race and to participate in all the best purposes of the race. Such bondage leads to liberty. This is the bondage which none but the emancipated know. Its name is liberty. The liberty of the sons and daughters of the Lord Almighty!

#### BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS—Continued from page 33

this clear-cut warning: "Can they drink of the cup of which I drink? Can they be baptized with the baptism wherewith I am baptized?" And in their ignorance and blindness, they quickly answer, "We are able". Then the Master replies, "Ye shall indeed drink of My cup and be baptized with My baptism", foretelling the suffering and persecution which they would endure, but said He, "I am not here to distribute the mighty honors of a hollow promotion. He that would be chiefest, let him be your minister; and he that would be greatest, let him be the servant of all."

This secret of greatness can be found today nowhere else. The life of love that finds expression in unselfish service is the only life worth living. If you have caught the vision, and if you are dedicated to a life of service, then I can promise you that your own character will become stronger and richer and nobler with the passing of every day. The very word character means that which has been hewn out from the solid rock, a thing that is strong, enduring, dependable. It is character

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your community, a more powerful influence for right and truth, then it has failed of its mission. Three thousand graduates who have gone out from your beloved Alma Mater are filling places of importance in church and state. They are leaders among the women of their time. You join this great and noble company tonight. If the day ever comes when this beloved institution fails to send forth her daughters to render such magnificent service, let her doors be closed and her charter surrendered. Please God, such a day will never come! The Greater Wesleyan of the future shall cherish and perpetuate the holy ideals and noble traditions of the past, and in the years to come will continue to send forth the finest and noblest type of Christian womanhood. Find your place in the great plan of God, whether it be in the schoolroom, in the world of commerce, in the practice of a profession, on the whitened field of a heathen land, or in the quiet seclusion of a consecrated home. Let your life be one of service, inspired by a clear vision, a life that will count for time and for eternity.

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"Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone, but if it die, it will spring up and bring forth an abundant harvest."

The things that have been said are designed to direct your thought to the upward look, the upward lift, and the upward life. Vision, service, character, the one leads to the other, and the ultimate result is the fullness of joy, of peace, and of power. How then may one be sure of a clear vision, a life of unselfish service and a character hewn out of the rock of rugged honesty and devotion to duty? There is only one answer to this question: Make God real in your life. He has revealed Himself in the person of Jesus Christ. Christ has redeemed you and would send you forth to share his sacrifice for the sake of men. In Him we live and move and have our being. He will keep close to us to direct our acts and words and thoughts if we give Him His rightful place in our hearts. Obedience to His divine will and co-operation with His glorious plan will make Him more and more real and personal with the passing of the days.

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THE ACADEMIC BUILDERS OF WESLEYAN—Continued from page 20 period of the Methodist Educational Campaign. The Greater Wesleyan Drive, under the leadership of Bishop Ainsworth, now President of the Board of Trustees, and President Quillian, and of Mr. O. A. Park, National Chairman, is making possible a Greater Wesleyan at Rivoli and a splendid Conservatory of Music at the old site. The Wesleyan Alumnae from all over the land and from distant China have heeded the call and on those splendid 132 acres on the Dixie Highway will soon appear a new Weslevan, the result of the idealism of these silent builders of Weslevan, and of those other silent forces represented by the philanthropy of such men as Mr. R. J. Taylor, who advanced \$100,000 on unpaid and not vet due subscriptions to Weslevan to meet a pressing emergency, and Judge Candler, Sam Tate, and those other splendid citizens whose names appear on the program sheet, as well as many others whose gifts were like that of the widow, who gave all she had. The advances in the splendid administration of Dr. Quillian were made possible by the generosity of George I. Senev of New York, who in 1881, gave to Weslevan \$125,000, and in whose memory this day is set apart by the Trustees. These are the silent forces which have builded and will vet build a Greater Weslevan.

Another recent triumph in the history of the college is the full recognition of the standards of Wesleyan and the eligibility to membership in the American Association of University Women of all graduates of Wesleyan, past and present. No other college in Georgia bears this distinction except our splendid competitor, Agnes Scott College.

It is a notable fact that Wesleyan has never had but two Deans. Prof. Hinton was succeeded three years ago by Dr. Walter K. Greene. Dr. Greene has had the full co-operation of Dr. Quillian and of the whole college faculty in further raising our standards. We mention to his credit the Quality Credit system, major courses admirably arranged and

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To these, my associates, and that modest number who went before, I would assign no small part in this building of a Greater Wesleyan. They have striven that our daughters might be polished after the similitude of a palace—these are the builders of Wesleyan.

#### COMMENCEMENT

As Seen by the Press

#### REPORT MADE ON WESLEYAN

A report of the present situation of the Greater Wesleyan Campaign in Macon was made to the Board of Trustees by Dr. W. S. Quillian, president of Wesleyan College, at its annual session during commencement week.

The substance of the report follows: The campaign situation at the present time in the city of Macon lacks \$103,000 of completion, on which \$17,000 has been secured in conditional pledges and \$9,000 from the Bellamy estate. This leaves a balance of \$77,-000 to be raised in Macon. We feel that there will be a generous response on the part of our people for the completion of this enterprise. It will be recalled that at the meeting of the Board of Trustees last year we had secured a total of \$467,589,66 in pledges. The total pledges to date amount to approximately \$554,000. It is exceedingly important that this effort for additional funds shall be pushed with all diligence. In order that the present situation may be clearly before us, I wish to review certain transactions of the college which may be of interest. In my opinion, every step that has been taken by the Board of Trustees has been marked by the greatest wisdom. The completion of the endowment, by the addition of more than \$300,000 was absolutely necessary to the gaining of full recognition by the standardizing agencies of the country. The Flournov estate is the location ideal for the Greater Wesleyan. The College Place home (formerly Cecil Morgan) filled with students is rendering splendid service. The handsome Shinholser home, which when the gifts are considered will have cost the college only about \$20,000, is being used in connection with the conservatory of music. When a sufficient fund has been sceured, then we should begin the erection of buildings. We are to build for the coming generations. We must not begin until we can erect structures that will be worthy of Wesleyan and of the great cause of Christian education."

Suggestion is Made

The following suggestion was offered by the president and recommended for acceptance by the Greater Wesleyan Committee of the Board:

"That we continue the plan to complete the pending campaign by putting on a special effort through the state and the south this fall. In the meantime, however, we should not fail to improve every opportunity to secure large gifts from individual people. We should also urge people of means to place Weslevan in their wills so that the college may gather funds through the years. We still believe that there are people of wealth in this section of the south who upon realizing the great program which is ahead for Wesleyan will count it a privilege to make large contributions to this historic institution."

In summarizing the campaign Dr. Quillian said: "We should secure from the Greater Wesleyan subscription as much as \$500,000 which is a conservative estimate. This, added to the amount of cash and real estate in hand would be \$542,500.00. The following up campaign throughout Georgia should certainly net from \$250,000 to \$300,000 more. All of these sources should give us an amount of money sufficiently large to begin operations on the new campus.

"I am still hopeful that some great soul will honor the college and immortalize himself in the gift of a large sum of money for this great enterprise. Unless this is done it seems that it will require from two to four years before we can begin building.

"Fortunately we can go on in our present quarters, though we are greatly hampered by the congested conditions. The college will be filled to capacity and about fifty students will be accepted for conservatory work." In his report of the financial condition of Wesleyan at the present time Dr. Quillian said that the total assets of the college were \$1,308,107.06. The amount that has been added in the last five years to make this sum is \$548,400.

Annuity bonds have been prepared by the college by which the donor will receive yearly interest during life and the principal sum will go to the college at their death.

#### JUNIOR TEAM WINS DEBATE

The decision of the judges was rendered in favor of the negative side, upheld by the Junior team, in the inter-class debate held in the Wesleyan auditorium Thursday night. The question discussed was the Child Labor Amendment to the Federal Constitution.

This is the first time that the interclass debate has been presented as a feature of the commencement program and it was acclaimed a success last night which will probably make it a permanent feature of the program.

The speeches on the subject were particularly well presented and forceful. They were delivered in a finished style and did credit to the training of the Debating Council, who selected the speakers from their number for last night's program.

Particular mention should be made of the speaking of Miss Mamie Harmon, of Macon, who championed the negative side in the last speech. Miss Harmon showed a force of address and a smoothness of delivery which would be creditable to a professional speaker.

After the debate the Debating Council entertained with an informal reception in the Senior parlor for the teams, the new members, and the visiting parents of the debaters. Punch and sandwiches were served.

The winning team was composed of Miss Isabelle Harris, Cordele; Miss Elizabeth Peck, Jacksonville, Fla.; Miss Mamie Harmon, Macon. The Senior team was composed of Miss Elizabeth Winn, Macon; Miss Hattie Branch, Cuthbtrt; Miss Mary Louise Collings, Moultrie. Dr. W. K. Greene, dean, was chairman and Miss Lucile Jordan Perry, president of the Debating Council, was timekeeper. Dr. Charles Lane offered the Invocation.

The judges were Judge Malcolm Jones, Dr. Percy Scott Flippin, and the Rev. Oliver J. Hart. Two musical numbers were given between speeches by Miss Mildred McCrory and Miss Harriet Evans.

## ART STUDENTS ARE GRADUATED

The Musical Soiree and graduating exercises of the Conservatory and School of Fine Arts at Wesleyan was a decided success last evening. This is the first year that the graduating exercises have been held separately and it marks quite a forward step in the development of the Conservatory.

The musical program was delightfully varied and the rendition of each number showed an artist's appreciation of the selection. Several of Wesleyan's favorite artists appeared on last night's program.

The two post-graduate students who appeared on the program were: Miss Mildred McCrory, Macon, and Miss Lilian Budd, Ozark, Ala. Their performance was very commendable.

Miss Anna Morrison, a great favorite with Macon audiences, sang Charpentier's Aria: "Depuis le jour" (Louise) and Mozart's Alleluja. Mrs. A. J. Johnson, Jr., rendered the Song of India (Rimski-Korsakoff) in an effective manner. Her singing of The Year's at the Spring (Mrs. Beach) was charming.

#### Graduates in Piano

The three piano graduates, Miss Goldie McRae, Mount Vernon; Miss Alma Taylor, Dexter, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Anderson, Barnesville, played their concertos in an artistic manner.

Miss Budd is also graduating in pipe organ. She played Guilmant's First Sonata, D minor in a finished style.

Miss Jewel Tidwell, Helena, a voice graduate, sang Thomas' Aria: "Connais tu le pays (Mignon) and My Heart ever Faithful, very tastefully.

The graduating exercises followed the soirce. The candidates were presented for graduation by Prof. Joseph Maerz, head of the Conservatory, to Dr. W. F. Quillian, who delivered the diplomas.

## ART EXHIBIT IS VERY EFFECTIVE

The Art Exhibit at Wesleyan during commencement was the most effective of its kind ever presented. The grand parlors were used for the exhibit and were completely transformed by the placing of statuary, belonging to the art department, in effective positions. The exhibits were arranged to their best advantage.

The practical class work of the interior decorating class caused a great deal of comment. It was a sketch of the arrangement of furniture and the colors on the floor plan and one wall view. There were about twenty-five of these on display. The work in designing also showed up favorably.

An interesting exhibit was the art craft work of painted baskets, trays, candles and hats. The chiffon scarfs were exquisitely tinted to match the summer hats.

Two of the nature paintings were taken from the flowers, in rainbow colors, used in decorating for the Junior Prom this year. There were several copies of famous paintings which were splendid in their reproductive accuracy. The portrait work of many of the students was far above the average.

Miss Rosetta Rivers, head of the art department, was in charge of the arrangements of the exhibition and is to be commended for her splendid training and beautiful presentation.

#### AID IN MERCER SUMMER SCHOOL

The Mercer summer school faculty this year includes some of Wesleyan's professors.

Dr. W. K. Greene, dean of Wesleyan, is offering three courses in English at the first session of the school.

Professor Leon P. Smith, vice-president of Wesleyan and head of the department of chemistry and geology, is teaching two courses in geology.

Miss M. Virginia Garner, head of the Wesleyan department of journalism, is teaching journalism during the first term, and B. B. Johnston, instructor in journalism, will continue his work in the second term.

The supervisor of laboratory work at Mercer is Miss Annie Lawrence Riley, student assistant in science.

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